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ROUSEVELT IS RETICENT

Says He Came to Washington Merely for Pleasure.

He Is Visiting Senator Lodge and Does Not Know a Thing About New York Politics.

Theodore Roosevelt, now at the head of the board of police commissioners of New York city, arrived in the city yesterday. He is a guest of Senator Lodge, at No. 1765

Massachusetta avenue. It was formerly Mr. Roosevelt's custon to stop at one of the down-town hotels during his visits in Washington, but, on this occasion he has sought more retired

and secluded quarters.

It is binted that since he has become the head of the New York police department he is not so anxious to see representatives of the press, who might besiego him at the hotel.

The Times called upon Mr. Roosevelt last night, and after some difficulty, succeeded in being ushered into his presence. He attended a dinner party, given in his honor last night, and it was quite late he could be seen-"Mr. Roosevelt, can you say something

of New York?" was asked. With both hands in the pockets of his trousers and a smile that showed the

ing teeth, he replied: 'No: nothing whatever.' you say something of New York

politics?" In the same attitude, and with the same pleasant smile, Mr. Roosevelt replied very

Nothing, whatever." "Will you say something about the pos-sible candidates or your choice for the

Presidency?" 'Nothing, whatever," still more pleasantly and politely and the smile widening.

Well, Mr. Roosevelt, do you care to say anything regarding your visit to the Cap-

"No; except that I am here solely for easure," was his reply. With this he bade his visitor good-night.

Given Up as Lost. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 24.-The British schooner Millie L. E., which left here December 10 for St. Pierre with a general since, has been given up as lost. She unded by Capt. Forget, and carried a crew of four men.

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Large Crowd Greeted the Suffragists Last Night.

STATE PRESIDENTS' NIGHT

Interesting Talks by the Leaders of the Work in Different States-Some Have Succeeded, Others Struggling for Success-One Man's Voice Balsed in the Big Assembly of Women.

Last night was State presidents' right. and one of the most interesting meetings of the tonvention of Woman Suffragists.

It might be called an experience meeting, for the meeting was devoted to the hearing of reports from the presidents of the offferent States represented. Each told of the trials and tribulations of the Women in their efforts to secure equal rights with

dan in their respective homes.

The Church of Our Father was filled last vening, the crowd being the largest that nas yet assembled. The galleries were lifted and every available space on the main floor occupied by those interested in the cause that has brought so many of the prominent women of the nation together. The young people came out it The young people came out in larger numbers last night. The clerk of the Weather Bureau was thanked by the delegates for

he fraprovement in weather. The speakers of the evening were each number who were to speak, and even then mentire program could not be carried out. This limitation of time was not fully pleas ng to the audience, for a number of the speakers so interested their hearers that he bint to stop was received with regret. President Sasan B. Anthony presided, and after the invocation had been offered by Elizabeth U. Yates, of Mame, introduce Mrs. L. C. Hughes, wife of Gov. Hughe of Arizona, and president of the State or ganization of that far-away province, Mrs. Hughes went to Arizona twenty-four Airs, Hugnes went to Arizona twenty-four years ago, when travel was by stage, ted-lous, the some, and dangerous, owing to the hostile Apache Indiana.

THE WOMEN HELPED.

She related, in an interesting manner, how the State had progressed, and had reached its present civilized stage, and showed the important port woman had taken in the

work of building up Arizona.

In view of these feet In view of these facts she asks why the women are not entitled to recognition. Arizona is now upon the threshold of Statehood, and Mrs. Hughes hopes to see Con gress pass some favorable measure before

na is admitted to the Union The speaker proudly informed the as-semblage that the Governor of Arizona was perfectly in accord with the views of the suffrage association and never lost an opportunity to say and do for the

cause of equal rights. Lucretia L. Blakenberg of the Pennsylvania delegation stepped to the front of the stage and on behalf of the delegation from Pennsylvania presented a bunch of beautiful roses to Miss Anthony, there being one rose for each delegate.

"That's pretty gay for a Quaker," said the recipient. Charlotte Perkins Stetson was next in Charlotte Perkins Stetson was next introduced. Miss Stetson is not only president of the California Association of san Suffragists, but is a member of a number of associations devoted to the

cause of women. She is a brilliant woman and a fluent speaker. She said that in the early days of California a woman was a rare creature and the Californians were rated as being extremely chivalrous. In those days enough could be done for the few brave women who had endured the hardships in cident to the trip overland, but now, she was sorry to say, her sex is treated dif-

ferently. She reported that good work Miss Diggs of Colorado, responded for Mary C. C. Bradford, state president of Colorado, in the absence of that lady.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bacon told of the progress being made in Connecticut. WHAT HAS BEEN DONE

Ellen Powell Thompson, president for the District of Columbia, spoke briefly, stating what advancement had been made since

the last convention. When Massachusetts was called, Henry B. Blackwell responded. He prefaced his remarks by saying that he was very sorry that it was not Mary A. Livermore instead of himself who occupied the platform. The women have won him, body and soul. He believes their demands are just.

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Mail Repair Shop.

BAGS MADE BY CONVICTS

Telegram to The Times in Reply to Gen. Neilson-What Becomes of Proceeds of Old Sack Sales?-The General Law of Contract Disposition Disregarded.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 23, 1896. Editor Washington Times,

Washington, D. C.: .All the labor in making bags under McNulty's contract is done in Kings county penitentiary, for which he making complete.

JAMES TAYLOR. pays three and a quarter cents apiece.

The foregoing telegram was published in The Evening Times of yesterday, and is a complete auswer to the question propounded by Gen. Neilson, the Second Assistant Postmaster General, to The Times challenging the correctness of the statement made by it that the mail bags were made in a peni-

In his last assual report, and during Gen. Neilson says that he paid for jute sacks, No. 1, 49 cents a piece, and for jute sucks. No. 2, 41 cents a piece. It there fore appears that on the first named class the contractor gets fourteen times as much from the government as he pays for them, and for the second class about eleven times as much as he pays for them This, on its face, looks like a pretty fair contract with a politician contractor and a member of the State senate of New York. ANOTHER LAW VIOLATED.

The Times has been asked what becoof the condemned sacks which are sold by he authorities of the mail-bag repair shop. Investigation shows that they are sold at auction in front of the shop, a sale having taken place a few weeks ago. It was also learned that the price paid for them s about eighty cents per hundred pounds. It is stated in the annual report of Gen. itson that for the year ending June 30, 1895, there were sold 97,604 condemned sicks, and the prospect is that the amount of condemnations will be largely in excess of those figures this year. This will be evident from the following extract from the

A committee was appointed, consisting of the chief cierk of the Railway Mail Service, a division superintendent and assistant su-perintendent, superintendent of mails in the Washington postofitee, superintendent of the mail-bag repair shop, division inspector. and a canvass worker, to determine whether the repairs were made in a proper and

conomical manner.

The result of their investigation, which was very thorough and complete, satisfied the department that too much repairing was being done, and that it was necessary that a certain amount of modification should be made both in the extent of repairing and the manner in which new material was at tached to old material. The practice of re-pairing pouches that were not sufficiently strong to last as long as the patch was done away with. The custom of using new material on old material was done away with, and a system of using old material for patches on old equipment was subpted. This committee also suggested additional inspectors, which were put on, so as to make the inspection more complete and ef-fective and insure a judicious amount of

arring only, action of this committee naturally The action of this committee naturally threw out of the service a large amount of equipment that, while practically useless, would have performed some service, though in a very expensive way, by being repaired n. This renders it necessary to make lional purchases the next year that were contemplated before.

ONE QUEER OMISSION. In the statistical and financial tables of the report there appears everything in connection with the running of the shop exdo the sewing and darning and also the disposition of the moneys realized on the sale of the condemned bags. The sales are made to local buyers, it is understood, who again sell them to paper manufactories. This method of disposing of the waste is stated by one of the contractors for govrament waste to be an exception to the rule that it shall be sold as in all the other ents by yearly contract. General Neilson has, however, stated that he runs the shop in the best interests of the government and he figures as the only law in the

One of the New York Congressmen said, speaking of the sale of penitentiary goods, that it is the law of that State that such goods should be marked as coming from a penal institution. It was learned last night that the bags which come under the Mc-Nulty contract are not so marked, and no explanation could be offered for that cirnstance. It is, perhaps, reasonable suppose that if the bags were so marked it would have been impossible to deny the truth of the statement that they were manufactured by convict labor.

VOICE OF PRAISE.

The publicity which The Times has given the conduct of affairs at the repair shop has been a source of fruitful comme menced. The Woman's Tribune of this mented editorially on the facts

city has commented contorianty on the facts as given to the public, as follows:

The attempt to cut down the wages of the women employed in repairing the mail sacks aroused a storm of indignation as soon as the facts were known. These women have the most unwholesome, re dsive and ill-paid work that Uncle San pulsive and ill-paid work that Uncle Sam has to dispense. It is as much as a person accustomed to breathe pure air can do to perform an errand at the back part of the Postoffice where these fifthy mail sacks are in use. But women work over them at piece work, and can earn but from 50 to 60 cents a day. Yet when there is an attempt to reduce the price, women complaining, are told by the au-thorities that "If they do not care to work at the price, they need not; as there are plenty of others who would be giad of the opportunity." Fortunately, the champion-ship of The Times has compelled public attention to the case, and Senator Call in-troduced on Tuesday, a resolution to put the women on daily wages.

Harrison at the White House. Ex-President Harrison paid a visit of ourtesy to President Cleveland at the White House yesterday afternoon. Gen Harrison reached the mansion at 3 o'clock and spent about five or ten minutes with Mr. Cleveland in friendly conversation in

the Cablnet Room.

Illinois Election Contest. Arguments were concluded yesterday in Elections Committee No. 1, in the contested case of Rinaker against Dowling from the Sixteenth Illinois district. The

aring of the arguments consumed five

Receiver Is Asked For. New York, Jan. 24.-Application for a receiver was made today for the Central Stamping Company before Judge Truax, by Jas. Plaff and others, representing \$90,00 worth of stock of the company. The action is the outcome of a decision by Judge Fried nan in a suit brought by the Attorne General against the company.

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WHY PAY EXORBITANT FEES? OFFICIAL WAR ON WOMEN TAX SYSTEM AN OUTRAGE SHOWING UP ACETYLEN

More Revelations About That Senator Blanchard Says Gov- Coroner's Jury Investigating the ernment Pays Too Much. New Haven Horror.

> LIGHTED MATCH CAUSED IT DISTRICT SHARE TOO SMALL

Hopes the Time Will Soon Come When the Present Law Will Be Changed-Debate Came Up on the Effort to Pass the Memorial Bridge Bill-Frye's Eloquence.

One Senator of the United States believe the government pays too large a share of he District taxes

Mr. Elanchard of Louisiana, openly stated at the close of a remarkable afternoon of de bate, that it was an outrage on the country at large that it should pay half the District tax. He hoped the time would soon come

when this would be stopped.

The opportunity was afforded Mr. Blanchard to make this statement by Mr. Daniel of Virginia. This gentleman had called up the memorial bridge bill and wanted it passed. The measure provides that the government shall build the bridge.

There seemed to be no intention to delay its passage until Mr. Blanchard gave notice that he would offer an amendment that the District should pay half the cost. Then Mr. Daniel took the floor in support of the

WAS NOT LOCAL.

He opposed the amendment. The bill was not a local measure, he said. It was not of local interest to the city of Washington. The chief benefit of the bridge would be to the government. It would connect the Capital with the military fort, which defended it, the great military cemetery where the nation's honored des rested, and a great parade ground, which could be used by militia as well as regular

It was a duty, he continued, that the government owed, that access to the Naional Capital should be made easy from all quarters. It was a shame that the matter had been neglected so long. He noped the Senator from Louisiana would rithdraw his amendment.

But Mr. Blanchard menat business. He was not going to withdraw anything. He said he did not object to the bridge o Arlington and Fort Myer. The facilities for crossing the Potomuc were inadequate, he admitted. He only suggested the propriety of the District paying one-half the

He thought it was all right when Washington was a small village that the govern ment should pay half the taxes. But now when the Capital and assumed the collossal proportions of a city of 250,000 inhabitants it was an outrage on the people at large to pay one-half the municipal taxes. This project started originally when it was necessary to add the streets to the government's share to make up the one-half.

MR. FAULKNER'S REMARKS. Mr. Faulkner interrupted Mr. Blanchard and said the government now in streets and reservations alone owned 51 per cent of the area of the District. This was

exclusive of the ground on which public buildings are erected and vacant lots owned by the government Mr. Bianchard, though, continued his remarks. He hoped the time was not far off when a law would be passed lessening the part of taxes the government pays. But as the District was standing one-half the cost of municipal affairs it should

stand one half the cost of this bridge. He urged his amendment, and it passed, Mr. Daniel not urging a division.

Mr. Vest, though, came in a few minutes after and made a motion to reconsider. He said he would have fought the amendment had be been in the Senate. Mr.

Vest's motion was entered and will be taken up Monday. MR. FRYE'S ELOQUENCE. Mr. Blanchard previous to this had

criticised the Foreign Relations Committee in being slow in its report on the Armenian question. The committee was defended by Mr. Frye, who made a very flery speech against the sultan and against the European governments which had not interfered to protect the Armenians. He said that if he had his way the American Congress would memorialize Russia to take possession of the Armenian provinces, and would in-form her that the United States would

stand behind her in doing so. And he declared that if it were necessary to protect American citizens and their property in Turkey, he would order United States ships of war, in spite of forts and in spite of agreements as to the closing of the Dardanel'es to place themselves before Constantinople and demand that protection

to which American citizens are entitled-The concurrent resolution was passed with-out a division, and now goes to the House of

An effort was made by Mr. Jones, Dem Arkansas, to have a time fixed for taking the vote on the House bond bill with the free coina ge substitute; but as objection was made by Mr. Allen, Pop., Nebraska, Mr. Jones gave notice that he would ask the Segate next Thursday to remain in session until that matter is disposed of.

The Senate at 4:10 adjourned till Monday next.

STRUCK WITH A BILLY.

Charles Moore, Colored, Receives Fractured Skull at a Political Meeting. As a result of attending a political meet ing held last night at Green's Hall, on Pent sylvania avenue, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, Charles Moore, colored of 1014 Nineteenth street northwest, lies at

the Emergency Hospital with a badly frac tured skull. Moore went to the hall with a party of friends to hear the speeches. About hall past nine, two men came in who were under the influence of liquor. They interrupted a speaker and started a fight which soon

assumed the proportions of a small riot.

In the excitement Moore was hit on the head with a cane or black jack. He stated hospital last night, that Peter Jef ferson, an undersized negro, who keeps fruit stand in the K street market, was the man who struck him. The police have arrested a man giving the name of Edward Jefferson, who is held at the Third precinct station, to await the development of the man's injuries.
Dr. Kerr, assisted by Drs. McGrath, Peralte

and West, performed the operation of tre-phining last night, but it was stated at an arly hour this morning that the man was in a very dangerous condition. Ship Libeled for \$65,000. Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 24 - The Mallory line steamer Alamo, which went ashore or Pelican Shoais, near Key West, Wednesday

vessel for \$65,000 salvage. Misrit \$20 suits at \$6; \$20 overcoats a \$7. Sale commences today at 8:30. The last of the season; a genuine sale.

has been gotten off by the Key West wrecking fleet. The wreckers have libeled the

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Was Applied to the So-Called Illuminant and the Explosion Followed-Insurance Companies Represented at the Hearing-Some One Is Criminally Liable.

(Special to The Times.) New Haven, Conn., Jan. 24.—Coroner Mix this afternoon began a public investigation into the cause that led to the explosion of acetylene gas at Frank P. Pfleghar & Co.'s shop Tuesday, killing three men and severely injuring many others and wrecking a four-story brick building. The general Acetylene Gas Company of New York and Pfeighar & Co, were repre-sented by counsel at the investigation. Pfeig-harand one of hisemployes, Alex. Krab, were anable to be present. A physician said that they were not in condition to appear. They

will be examined later. James F. McNeil, employed by Pfleghar, was the first witness. He informed the court under oath that Pfleghar had beer engaged in making a regulating machin for a month to use in connection with the gas. He said there were two tanks in the building loaded with acetylene gas, one arriving last Christmas.

SOME OF THE TESTIMONY. He was at work on one of these regulating nachines with Pfleghar and three other

workmen, one of the three being Hauser who was killed in the explosion. The ma was designed to regulate the flow of gas. The two gas tanks were six feet from each other. The explosion threw him several feet up against a door. When he re covered he ran back to find Hauser, and iscovered him near one of the tanks dead. McNeil further testified that a leak in

the gas tank was discovered last Saturday by Hauser, who lighted a match to locate amined at length, but they were in posi-tions in the room where they could not see just weat occurred just prior to the explosion. The hearing will not go on until Pfleghar is able to be examined.

WILL SIFT IT THOROUGHLY. The coroner, in response to public seutlthorough. Representatives of the in surance companies that insured the build-ing and the stock, were at the hearing, and will attend all future hearings to find out if possible just how far the companie are liable for insurance money in view of the fact that acceptene was used in the

building without their knowledge. Dr. Edwin F. Toof, who was interested in the making of the regulators with Pfle ghar, and whose son, Rev. John Thomas Toof, was one of the victims of the explosion states "that the regulators we were test-ing have been on the market for years. If we had known that this acetylene gas was dangerous we would not have used it

in the building." INSURANCE MEN AROUSED. The representatives of the General Acetylene Gas Company of New York are

in town asking for an investigation, for they claim that their gas is safer than the ordinary gas and that it is not nearly so dangerous to human life when inhaled as the ordinary compound. Their theory is that the gas was allowed to leak from the tank and that a lighted match came in contact with the leak. The flame fol-lowed the gas down into the tank and

burst it. The question which is uppermost in the mind of the coroner is as to the liability and criminality in the case of those who have explosives of this dangerous character

right in the very enter of the city. ALL ABOUT VENEZUELA.

Large Audience Hears William Elroy Curtis at the Y.M. C. A. dent of the Bureau of American Republics the masthead.

Venezuela," at the Young Men's Christian | as an engineer should be designated with Association headquarters, a rank in the navy. They have strong the room allotted to the lecture had a hopes of carrying their bill through in the seating capacity of about seventy-five persons. Shortly after 7:30 o'clock the room was filled and there were a great many

on the outside that could not secure a

view of the beautiful pictures which were brown upon the screen. Mr. Curtis told the history of Venezuela from the time it was first controlled by the Spaniards up to the present. He humorously described some of the incidents connected with the republic's innumerable uprisings and rebellions, and gave much information concerning the disputed portion of the country, and the valuable mining sections.

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE. President Cleveland Expresses Sym

pathy to the English Court. London, Jan. 24 .- The foreign office has issued the following: "The President of the United States of America, having received through Sir Julian Pauncefote British Ambassador at Washington, the mournful tidings of the death of his Royal Highness, Prince Henry of Battenberg, immediately made expression through the Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, United States Ambassador to the court of St. James, of his sincere condolence to the queen.'

NO CHANGE IN KENTUCKY.

orial Deadlock Is Likely to Last Until February 6. Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 24. - The third join

allot for Sepator was taken at noon, with the deadlock still on, and no prospect that it will be broken before February 6. Proceedings of joint assembly were practically a duplicate of two preceding days. The ballot was as follows: Hunter 67, Blackburn 58, Carlisle 1, McCreary 4, Wilson 1. Reed 1, Hazelrigg 1, Buckner 1.

Put His Pocketbook in a Mail Box. A letter-carrier was somewhat surprised last night to find a pocketbook in the box at Eighth street and Pennsylvania avenue. The book contained only a few cards of a gentleman hailing from Chester, Pa., from which town there was an excursion party in the city yesterday. It is supposed that the pocketbook was put into the box in a fit of abstraction instead of a letter, or that some one found the book, appropri ated the valuable contents, and found a good hiding place for the book in the mall

Governor Hastings Has Recovered. Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 24. - Gov. Hastings tour today. All are well. The governor trip having been of great benefit to him.

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Foreign Marine Engineers as a Menace in Time of War.

PUT AMERICANS ON GUARD

merican Marine Engineers to Be Heard by Senate Committee Today. Government Subsidized Vessels Employ British Men at the Throttle. Against a Patriotic Movement.

The liveliest set of visitors at the botels of the city at present are the Merchant

Marine Engineers.

They are here to try and have remedled ome of the disadvantages under which they have been inboring for years, and are backed

tions of the country.

They are here in the interest of a bill which has a direct bearing on the defense of the country in case of war. The bill seeks to give the engineers rank as officers in the Navy, and to prevent the employment in registered vessels of any except citizen of the United States as engineers.

One of the inside features of their claim

s that on the American steamship lines which get a subsidy of about \$800,000 : year from the government, engineers ar who work at comparatively cheap rates, by reason of the low cost of living in that country. The majority of such employe are said to be Scotch LOSSIES OFPOSE THEM

obbies, one of them, it is said, being mainained by the Cramps, whose attorney is The merchant marine is supposed to be convertible into warships in case of trouble and it is claimed that the present engi

neers of foreign loyalty would not be ex

The engineers are opposed by one or two

ected to remain with their vessels. The American engineers go further and ay that it is not one of the impos that it would take very little for a foreign engineer to disable a steam vessel and put it in such a condition that it would take nonths to restore it.

A committee of the engineers had a hear-

merce, in which it is reported that Mr. Neal, attorney for the Cramps, did not make a very favorable impre PRESENTING THEIR CLAIMS. There will be a hearing today before the Senate Committee on Commerce, where

ing yesterday before the House Committee

the proceedings will be developed on the ines indicated. The engineers are receiving daily tele-grams from all parts of the country strengthening their position and especially from organizations in the iron industries. They argue that an American vessel in time of war or prospective war should be

and a newspaper correspondent of renown, and a newspaper correspondent of renown, on board of a vessel so vitally important a rank in the navy.

face of the opposition. Misfit \$20 suits at \$6; \$20 overcoats at \$7. Sale commences today at \$:30. The last of the season; a genuine sale.

HOME AND HAPPY.

Maggie Anderson Is Now Mrs. Bowles

and Glad of It. Maggie Anderson, the fourteen-year-old girl who eloped Wednesday with Private James Bowles, of the Fourth Artillery, as stated in The Times of vesterday, returned to her home, No. 1312 O street northeast,

ast night. Maggie told her mother that she and Bowles had been married in this city, and that they had spent their honeymoon at the house of a friend in this city. They did not go to Baltimore, as they intended. In explanation of her return, she said that she thought it best to live at home until listment. This would expire, March 1. Then he would secure a position in civil life and they would go to housekeeping. She also said that she is happy and w not admit that she had taken a rash step. The mother gave her coild a blessing kisses were exchanged and harmony now

reigns PROPOSED HAWAIIAN CABLE.

Arguments for a Sabsidy Presented to

Ex-Assistant Secretary Spaulding appeared before the House Commercial Committee yesterday with reference to a new cable necting this country with Hawaii. He represented that he had the exclusive right from the Hawaiian government to build a cable, and that that governs would pay a subsidy of \$49,000 a year for twenty years, provided the United States would grant a subsidy of \$160,000 a year

for twenty years. If this should not be deemed satisfactory he expressed his willingness to transfer his concession to the United States government if it would assume the responsibility of

FOR THEFT OF CLOTHING.

eventeen-Year-Old Girl Arrested by the Police. Mattle Quaries, colored, seventeen years Helan and Lacy on the charge of larcen;

of clothing from Fannie Stevenson, No. 349 Twenty-second street. She was captured in the house of Lizzie One year ago Mattie was taken from the

same house and sent to her mother in Bos-ton. Detective Lacy sent for the Clayton oman last night and lectured her for en tertaining girls who are under age. Lizzie Chyton alleged that she gave her lodging for the sake of charity.

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\$3.35 for anything that was \$5.00

\$4.00 for anything that was \$6.00

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THUNDERED IN MIDWINTER Genuine Summer Electrical Dis-

several Flashes of Lightning With Accompanying Peals Occurred Early Yesterday Morning.

play Seen Here.

Washington was treated vesterday morning to a meteorological fantasia that is rarely played in Northern latitudes. There were blinding flashes of lightning and reels of thunder which apparently laid

open the Western sky for inspection. This remarkable thunder storm was one of the occasional verifications of the old saying that it is the unexpected that always happens. These storms are so infrequent in high latitudes that they belong to the category of the unusual in the records

of the Weather Bureau.

Such storms are the result of warm winds surcharged with vapor from the east, and probably having their origin in the warm corrents of the golf stream. The thunder and lightning of vesterday orning were the climax of an unusually seavy downpour which occurred between 3:30 and 4 o'clock. There were very few people up at that hour, so that the

phenomenon had very few eye witnesses, but one especial peal, loaded to the muzzle with lightning, most have aroused the whole city. It would have rivated an explosion of acetylene gas, or all the guns of the navy

exploded at one time. The lightning was proportionally vivid and startling. These reminders of the great summer torms of the Potomac, it was stated at the Weather Bureau last night, are confined to the coast regions and are almost unknown in the interior, but in warmer

latitudes they are not so much of a meteorological event. The rain was the accompaniment of a storm that moved in from the Atlantic and is now making progress northward. The creasing temperature, although there is no cold wave in sight. Along the New England coast yesterday the wind blew at the rate of sixty-eight miles an hour In Washington yesterday morning the wind did not amount to a gale, its effect being felt in gusts and intermittent high

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Caldwell Election.

Joseph J. Caldwell Division, No. 7, Uniformed Rank, Knights of Pythias, has elected the following officers: Thomas E. Landon,

re-elected captain; Charles L. Saur, first lientenant; T. F. Skedmore, second lieutenant; John Kraft, treasurer; Robert Jonscher, sentinel; O. V. Shomo, guard; and D. F. Brown, recorder. Captain Landon was pleased at the large number present. After the meeting a smoker was enjoyed. All the members will drill every Thursday night till time for going to the encampment Rev. J. H. Lee Remembered.

A party of ladies, members of the Mt. Zion Working Club of the Third Baptist Church, led by their president, Mrs. C. L. Waites, on Wednesday, presented to their pastor, Rev. James H. Lee, a purse and

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